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"WHEN IN DOUBT
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LOW WAGES BLAMED.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Wearied of the tales of misery, Judge Charles Monroe, who has presided over the divorce court for several years, asked the other judges of the Superior Court to relieve him. He has sat in nearly 10,000 divorce cases while on the bench, and in his letter to his colleagues, said: "One of the worst features is that it is so impossible to provide for women with large families of children out of the wages of the husband. And there is so much distress coming under my observation that I feel I would very much like to make a change."

LANGUAGE TEST EASIER.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary of Commerce Redfield has defined the language test of the seamen's act, passed by the last Congress. In an opinion made public last week the Secretary states that the law does not require "the use of any particular language on the part of officers and crew of any vessel," but that "any language which is understood in sufficient measure by officers and the proper proportion of the crew will comply."

The requirement that members of the crew shall be able to understand any order given them by their officers is construed as "meaning only such orders as may normally be given to members of the crew in each department of the vessel in the course of the usual performance of their regular duties. Among those duties, however, should be included lifeboat work or emergency work for such members of the crew as may be called upon to perform these classes of work."

In conclusion, Secretary Redfield says the language test is understood to require the safeguarding of a vessel "in such a manner as shall be helpful and not hurtful to our maritime commerce, and that it is in no sense intended to be used to create embarrassment or to cause unnecessary expense or delay."

RAILROADERS ACT TOGETHER.

St. Louis, Mo.—Included in a circular issued by President Perham of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers is a record of recent co-operative agreements between

several railroads and the brotherhoods of engineers, firemen, conductors, trainmen and telegraphers.

President Perham says: "Similar agreements are being arranged on many other railroads."

"Unwritten co-operative agreements have been entered into upon still other railroad systems, all of which shows an increased spirit of fraternalism and an inclination towards mutual helpfulness that is extremely gratifying."

"It is by such means that we expect to arrive at a better understanding with the train and engine men about handling train orders by telephone, also head off various employers who are trying to institute a plan of annual physical examinations, which may have disastrous results in weeding out representative employees."

UNION POLICIES CONTRASTED.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Writing in the official journal of the Brotherhood of Teamsters, Secretary Solom, of Minneapolis Milk Wagon Drivers' Union contrasts the policy of that organization and a former local in the same calling at St. Paul. Both unions were organized about three years ago. After six months St. Paul demanded wage increases that averaged \$1 a day per member and refused to compromise. In another six months the union disappeared and since then these drivers have suffered a \$5 per month reduction and are now working for \$50 and \$55 per month with no vacation.

The Minneapolis drivers adopted a more cautious plan. By thorough organization they put all employers on the same competitive basis and then began improving working conditions and raising wages. Their present rates are \$75 a month with two weeks' vacation.

The Statesman's Twins.

"How many children have you?" asked the reporter.

"One, a daughter," replied the statesman proudly.

"But I heard that you had three," protested the man of letters.

"Oh, two of them are twins, and they're paired, you know!" explained the representative of the people—Philadelphia Ledger.



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CANADIAN UNIONISTS WATCHING LABOR LAW

Toronto, Ont.—Canadian trade unionists are showing no inclination to accept certain amendments to the industrial disputes act, which was intended to further conciliation and arbitration between employer and employee. The act now applies to public utilities and mining and also where both sides accept its provisions.

Under the act the government together with employer and employee, appoint representatives on a board that investigates disputes and it is unlawful to enforce a strike or lockout pending the investigation.

The government now proposes to extend the act to include other industries and the plan is opposed as follows by the Industrial Banner of this city:

"The feeling is generally prevalent among the workers in callings outside of public utility enterprises that they have no desire or inclination to be covered by the industrial disputes act, and many of them believe it would be to their decided disadvantage."

"Several big organizations have a system of settling their disputes by a system of impartial arbitration, as for instance, the boot and shoe workers and the Typographical union. To bring such organizations under the act would be neither necessary or advantageous and would undoubtedly be warmly resented upon their part."

"Under these circumstances organized labor must be ready to assume a watchful attitude, determined to scrutinize and weigh every chance that it is proposed to make in the present law, for there are so many bad clauses in it that the minister of labor has apparently no intention of improving, that the workers have a perfect right to be somewhat doubtful of any proposed tinkering with it."

"It is worthy of note that up to the present time no employer has ever been called upon to suffer for any act committed upon his part, either for wantonly aggressive acts or the violation of any contract with employees, but in many cases the law has been invoked, unjustly, we believe, to penalize the workers, fully bearing out the predictions that were made by the Industrial Banner when the measure first became law."

"Honestly speaking, dissatisfaction with the present industrial disputes act has been steadily growing upon the part of trades unionists, who have had to suffer because of its many defects, it apparently being a net that is so elastic that it allows the employer who really does offend to escape, while it enmeshes the luckless workers whom it holds secure."

MINIMUM WAGE FOR WOMEN.

Boston.—The wages of women 18 years of age and over, who have been employed for at least one year in department stores in this State, must be not less than \$8.50, beginning January 1, 1916, according to a decree announced by the minimum wage commission of Massachusetts.

The decree says that learners who have reached the age of 18 years shall receive not less than \$7 a week and that the minimum wage for girls of 17 shall be \$6 a week, while for younger employees the minimum shall be \$5.

It is stated that these rates will mean large increase in earnings for many employees, especially for the minors and the inexperienced. Where an employer fails to comply, the commission is empowered to note and to publish the names of all such employers disobeying the decree, in at least four newspapers in each county in the State, with a statement of the minimum wages paid by such employers.

Punishment in Persia.

Among the Persians the usual mode of punishment is the bastinado, from which men of the highest rank are not exempt. It is inflicted with very great severity, frequently so as to render the sufferer almost a cripple for life. The victim is thrown upon his face, and each foot is passed through a loop of strong cord attached to a pole, which is raised horizontally by men, who, twisting it around, tighten the ropes and render the feet immovable. Two executioners then strike the soles alternately with switches of the pomegranate tree well steeped in water to render them supple. The punishment frequently lasts for an hour or until the unfortunate victim faints from pain.

An Advance.

Clerk (to head of firm)—I wish to ask you, sir, if you can kindly see your way to giving me an advance of wages.

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The Impossible.

The Duke of Wellington wanted a certain piece of work done and instructed an officer of the Royal engineers to do it. After examination the officer told the duke it was impossible.

The duke sent for another officer, a much younger man and attached to another division of the army. This officer did what the duke required.

The next morning there appeared in the "orders of the day" the following epigrammatic note: "He who in war fails to do what he undertakes may always plead accident, which invariably attends military affairs, but he who declares a thing to be impossible which is subsequently accomplished, registers his own incapacity."

The Dinner Horn.

Details in regard to the manner in which meals were served during the dark ages do not abound. It is only toward the twelfth century that we begin to have a little light on this interesting subject. When a meal was ready in the thirteenth century the guests of a castle, with the vassals, were assembled to the sound of a horn, a method of summoning that appears to have been the privilege only of the greatest lords. Some hundreds of years later a bell was used for the purpose.

Throwing Men Overboard.

In ancient Scotland the barbarous custom existed which cost Jonah so much inconvenience. When a ship became unmanageable it was usual to cast lots for the purpose of discovering who was responsible for the trouble, and the man upon whom the lot fell was condemned. Instead of human beings dogs used sometimes to be thrown into the sea with their legs bound.

She Paid Cash.

She was notorious for wanting credit, and the druggist was on his guard.

"You keep soda water?"

"Oh, yes."

"And can I have it charged?"

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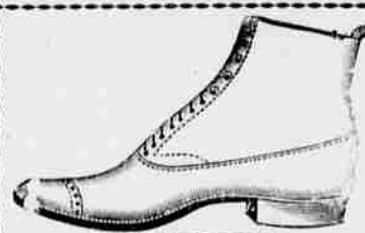
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